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FRIDAY..... DECEMBER 1, 1876.

WEATHER REPORT. PROBABILITIES TO-DAY .- Washington.

November 30.-For the South Atlantic and Gulf States, Tennessee, and the Ohio Valley, rising barometer, northerly winds, colder, partly cloudy or clear weather will prevail. For the Middle States, northerly winds,

back to colder northwest; clear or partly cloudy weather, with falling followed by rising barometer. Cautionary signals continue on the Texas

and Middle Atlantic coasts.

A snow-storm prevailed yesterday until past I o'clock P. M. After that hour the wind shifted to the northwest, and there were indications of clear weather. THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 33; A. M., 33; noon, 37; 3 P. M., 36; 6 P. M., 35; midnight, 30.

Reminiscence of Abraham Lincoln. [From the Alexandria Gazette.]

Mr. Lamon, in his life of Lincoln, gives an account of an affair of honor, which forms one of the most amusing episodes in his book. In one of his letters to Speed, Mr. Lincoln refers to his "duel with Shields"-a duel, by the way, which was never fought. The object of this paper is to furnish for your readers a portion of the secret history of that celebrated "duel." The readers of Lamon's Life are well aware that Mary Todd, afterwards Mrs. Lincoln, drew her lover into that very ugly "As a satirical writer," says Mr. scrape. Lamon, "she had no rival of either sex at Springfield, and few, we venture to say, anywhere else.

She was not disposed to let her genius rust for want of use; and, finding no other victim handy, she turned her attention to James Shields, 'Auditor.' She had a friend, one Miss Jayne, afterwards Mrs. Trumbull (United States senator), who helped her to keep her scerets, and assisted as much as she could in worrying the choleric Irish-

The beautiful Miss Jayne was the apple of discord in the case. General Shields was walking home with her one night; he took the liberty of squeezing ber band, she took the liberty of sticking a pin in him. This small affair of the pin led to the great affair of the sword. It figures lately in one of "Rebecca's" alias Miss Todd's, letters from the "Lost Townships," and addressed to the editor of the Sangamon Journal, by whom it was published. It is the most favorable specimen of Miss Todd's wit, but it is too long to be copied here. [See La-

mon's Life, pp. 257-8.]
Now "Old Uncle Abe," instigated by his love of fun, or his love of Mary Todd, or is love of mischief, or by all three, must have his say about the pin. Accordingly, he wrote a letter over the name of "Aunt Beccy," from the "Lost Townships," and had it published in the Sangamon Journal. Strange to say, this letter, about which the fight occurred (i. e., the fight that was never fought) does not appear in Mr. Lamon's book. Other letters of the series are given, but not this. The wrath of Shields-the Irish Achillies-which had been long kindled, now burst into flames.

He demanded the author of the "Lost Township" letters, especially of the one written by "Aunt Becey." Aunt Becey proved to be Uncle Abe. General Shields. the terrible son of Mars, without waiting to call for an explanation, at once challenged 'Aunt Beccy," and she at once accepted the challenge. It was at this point of the business that the present writer was made acquainted with the state of affairs by Mr. Lincoln himself.

He entered my office one night as I was engaged in the study of a law-case, with somewhat more than the usual gloom seated on his melancholy face. After taking a seat he said, "I have got into a little difficulty, and I want to see if you cannot help me out "Most happy to do so," said I, "if of it. I can. What is the matter?" "Why, said he, "that fool letter which I wrote for the Sangamon Journal has made Shields mad, and he has challenged me. I have accepted the challenge, and, without thinking, I have chosen Dr. Merryman for my second. I believe he would rather see a light than not. If I have to tight I will fight; but I don't care about fighting just to gratify Dr. Merryman. Now, if you will come in and make Dr. Merryman de right (for I know you will have more influence with him than

any other man) the whole difficulty may be

so if I can. What is the difficulty? "Why it is this," replied Mr. Lincoln: the friends of Shields say that if I will explain or apologize he will withdraw the challenge, and the quarrel can be settled honorably to both parties. But Dr. Merryman says if Shields will first withdraw the challenge then I will explain or apologize, and the quarrel may be settled honorably to both parties. And there they have come to a dead lock. Now I don't see, if both things have to be done, that it makes so much difference which is done first. It seems to me that Dr. Merryman is disposed to stand upon niceties, and I don't think be ought to stand upon niceties in a case of life and death." The situation was plain. I sympathized with Mr. Lincoln; but, while I fully appreciated his practical good sense, I could not exactly see his nice sense of honor. "I know very little about the code of honor," which I have never had much respect, and have therefore never studied it. But if firm basis." you go by that code at all (and I suppose

you must if you fight duels) it seems to me that Dr. Merryman is right, I don't see how you can explain, or apologize, or say one word to mitigate the wrath of Shields, while the challenge is pending over you. Mr. Lincoln thereupon fell into one of his musing, melancholy moods; and there

was spread over his face that sad expression which made him an object of interest to every man who had a live heart in his bosom. As he sat there, looking at the tire, he seemed to be saying to himself: 'I have come to the wrong person to help me out of my difficulty. Perhaps Merryman is right; and there is no help out of this dead lock? except a fight with Shields." His compressed lips and firm

look evidently indicated fight. "There is not the least necessity for a fight whatever," said I; "it may be very easily avoided." "How so?" said Mr. Lincoln, looking up with a relieved expression of face, and turning his eyes upon me. "I know Shields well," I replied, "and his away in Green, Rhode Island, with the altogether too much of bluster and bravado | could find them. The other day their skeleabout the man for that; he is trying to tons were found in a wood seven miles

back out very easily." "How so?" said Mr. Lincoln. "Why," said I. "as he has sent the challenge, so after eating everything within their reach. you have the right to choose the weapons; and if you choose broadswords, my work for it he will never fight you in the world. You are at least seven inches taller than Shields, and your arms are three or four inches longer than his; so that you could cut him down before he could get near enough to touch you. I know you will never do this; because he will never fight you with broadswords. He will show the

white feather first." Mr. Lincoln-adopted this idea: He chose broadswords; and the terms of the duel was hanged two hundred years ago for forwere arranged as stated in Mr. Lamon's gery. book (p. 265). 1st. Weapons—Cavalry broadswords of the largest size, precisely equal in all respects, and such as are now used by the cavalry company at Jackson- reputations are good.—New York Herald. Pennsylvania, 2.

ville. 2d. Position-A plank ten feet long and from nine to twelve inches broad, to be firmly fixed on edge on the ground as the line between us, which neither is to pass

his foot over upon forfeit of his life, &c. These and other preliminaries arranged we set out for Alton in order to pass over to Missouri, on the opposite side of the Mississippi river—the place appointed for the fatal encounter. My father and myself both accompanied Lincoln and Merryman to the scene of action-he to see the fun, and I to see that there was no fight. My prediction was fulfilled. Shields would not, or at least he did not, fight with broadswords.

Lincoln had put down his foot for broadswords, and nothing could shake his purpose. General Ewing, the friend of General Shields, cursed and swore, and carried on at a great rate about "the d-d barbarous practice of fighting with broadswords in the nineteenth century." Mr. Lincoln very coolly and calmly replied that for his part he thought fighting duels in any way a rather barbarous practice for the nineteenth century, and if he had to fight he would choose his own weapons. The more General Ewing insisted on rifles or pistols the more Mr. Lincoln held on to broadswords; and there was another "dead-lock." But it did not last over an hour or two. General Shields was finally induced by his friends to withdraw his challenge; Mr. Lincoln explained the offensive matter in the only letter written by himself, and the trouble about the pin was "settled bonorably to both parties." The second of Mr. Shields had declared, before the choice of broadswords "that he would as soon think of asking Mr. Shields to butt his brains out against a brick wall as to withdraw that paper "-the challenge-but yet, after all, this son of blood and thunder did withdraw that very paper rather than expose his brains to the long sword and the long arm of Abraham Lincoln. Yours, &c., A. T. Bledsoe.

Funerals as Disease-Breeders. [From the Lancet.]

There is good reason to believe that disease is occasionally disseminated through the medium of funerals. We have at least one fairly authenticated instance in this country of diphtheria being diffused broadcast through the crowding incidental, occasonally, to the last ceremony. In America this question is beginning to receive much attention, and several cases have been reported of late where the transmission of the disease from the corpse seemed highly probable. The Suffolk District Medical Society sent out four hundred circulars to medical practitioners with a view to ascertain the opinion of the profession on the alleged danger of permitting public funerals of persons who had died from diphtheria. Two hundred and thirty-nine answers were recieved. Of these one hundred and forty-three writers express a belief in the possible danger of contagion at such funerals; seventeen believe that there is danger from funerals in the houses of the dead, but none in churches; twenty-nine fancy that in the present state of knowledge there is no justification in prohibiting public funerals; and eight record circumstances which occurred in their own experience confirmatory of the proposition that peril may ensue, but the testimony these lafter advance is not quite satisfactory. The Society, after due consideration, recommend that funerals at the houses of those who have died of diphtheria should be private, owing to possible exposure to the poison of the dis-

THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS-VOTE FOR A NEW CHARTER - MANY IRREGULARITIES, GROSS BLUNDERS, AND STARTLING FRAUDS .-St. Louis, November 29.-The commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court to recount the vote cast on the 22d of August last, at an election for and against what was known as the scheme and charter-that is. a scheme to separate the city from the county, and a new charter for the city-bave unearthed numerous irregularities and very gross blunders by the judges of the election, and frauds of a most startling character. There seems to be no doubt that the schemeand-charter proposition was carried by a large majority of legally-cast votes, but the frauds perpetrated in the interest of the opposition defeated it. As an instance of the frauds committed, William Kelly and William Roper, judges of election at the Central precinct of the Ninth ward, have made depositions to the effect that they took ballots for the scheme and charter from the ballot-box and substituted ballots against that proposition; they also deposited ballots against the proposition, numbering and crediting them to persons who did not vote at all. They swear that perhaps not more than 600 votes were cast at the poll, a majority of which were for the scheme and charter, but they returned a vote of 82 for

NORTH CAROLINA FINANCES,-The message settled." Again I said "Most happy to do October, 1876, including special-tax bonds, \$115.50; costs, 88.25-total, \$422.68. was \$41,846,930.45, of which over thirteen millions consists of unpaid interest. It is further said:

and 1,307 against the proposition.

"Nothing has yet been done under the our State bonds held by the few creditors who signified their willingness to accept the proposed compromise was so small that it was not deemed advisable to incur the expense of having new bonds prepared, and of levying a special tax upon all the taxable property of the State for the purpose of paying the interest on such a small amount. It is very important that we should compromise, commute, and setttle the State debt, so that our financial condition may be better known both at home and abroad and

JUDGE MEREDITH .- New York, November understood that should he become President, Tiden will give the Attorney-Generalship to Judge John A. Meredith, of Richmond. The correspondent pays him a high compliment as a fine lawyer and an honorable gentleman.

The Vienna correspondent of the Times, in its issue of Wednesday, thinks it worthy of record that there has been a revulsion of feeling in Russia in favor of a more pacific policy, while another correspondent of the same paper, writing from Constantinople, cannot imagine why a conference should have been called when Turks of the Medhat Pasha school and Russians have taken such definite and exactly opposite positions that it seems difficult for England or other Powers either to bring about an agreement or to avoid being involved in a quarrel.

Last April a pair of young horses ran ness, and neck-yoke showed that they were a change North. caught fast in the brush, and had starved

Mr. Shuttleworth, who engaged to ride from St. Petersburgh to Calais on pede, at last accounts had passed through Berlin en route for Cologne. Eye-witnesses assert that he seemed but little exhausted, although over two thirds of the self-imposed journey were accomplished. In London a Jew has been charged with the murder of a Jew. It is said that this is

the first time such a thing has happened, and that the last Jew hanged in England LOCAL MATTERS.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS, THURSDAY. Aber vs. Goodridge, &c. From the Circuit Court of Westmoreland. Reversed, Judge Moncure delivering the opinion of the

Cabells vs. Paryear and als. From the Circuit Court of Danville. Reversed. Judge Christian, delivering the opinion of the Court. Berkeley vs. Smith &c. From the Corpo-

ration Court of the city of Alexandria. Reversed, Judge Anderson delivering the ppinion of the Court. Howe, Knox & Co. vs. Strong, &c.; Barblett & Robins vs. Strong, &c. From the Circuit Court of the city of Richmond.

Affirmed, Judge Staples delivering the opinion of the Court.

ular docket. submitting them to a court of four judges pected. set aside because of the importance of the principles involved in them, and the possibility that they may be decided by a divided court, and they have been all placed upon | For the corresponding year 1876 the avethe privileged docket, and will be heard rage number was 1,021, maintained at a total early in the January term if there is then, cost of \$26,263.44, making the average cost as is anticipated, a full court-viz. : Preston vs. Stuart and als; Utterback's

&c., vs. Horseley, &c.; Blair & Hoge for, &c., vs. Wilson; Andrews, Ordway & Co. vs. Taylor, administrator; Commonwealth vs. Andrews, Ordway & Green.

. Spilman for appellant, and submitted.

CHANCERY COURT, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 50.—The following cases were disposed of: Sizer vs. Dickinson, &c.; McGuire vs. cording to the metes and bounds set forth exhibit can be made another year." in plat this day filed.

the rights of the parties, referring cause to a commissioner, and ordering its removal either to prepare to remove the institution to the Circuit Court of Pittsylvania. Wright vs. Mitchell, &c. Decree in conformity with opinion of Court dismissing cause with costs.

conformity with opinion of Court settling

Wannemacher & Co. vs. Crew, &c. De- gation. cree in conformity with opinion of Court sustaining exception and directing sale of the property in said decree mentioned. Mayo, guardian, vs. Atkinson, &c. Deeree confirming report of receiver in relation to receipts and disbursements by him.

English and wife vs. Watkins, administrator, &c. Decree directing how value of land as assessed by the jury shall be paid. More Cotton for Liverpool .- The American ship Galatia, 939 tons register, Captain B. A. Pillsbury, now due from Rotterdam; has been chartered by Messrs, Curtis & Parker, of this city, to load compressed cotton at West Point for Liverpool. This is the third vessel which has been chartered

Chesapeake and Ohio and Richmond and Danville railroads. The Galatia will take out 3,000 bales at 13-32 of a penny per pound, or about \$13,150 freight for the cargo. This is the first vessel ever chartered to load for a foreign port from West THANKSGIVING-DAY .- Thanksgiving-day was gloomy enough so far as the weather was concerned, but no doubt there was much cheer and comfort in many happy homes in this fair city. It being St. Andrew's-day,

the Episcopal churches were opened and services appropriate to the day were held. At the Monumental church the pastor read the service and Rev. Mr. Weddell, of St. John's church, preached a splendid sermon, which was highly commended by all who heard it. The post-office and custom-house were

closed part of the day, as well as some of the banks.

PERSONAL.-General Jubal A. Early and Colonel E. E. Portlock, auditor of the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio railroad, are at the Exchange Hotel.

Hon. R. A. Coghill, of Amherst, was at the capitol yesterday. He has strong faith that the present political complications will result in Democratic victory, and says that he believes in Tilden's ability to successfully manage his case.

Major Samuel H. Boykin, Superintendent of Public Buildings of the State, who has one at the works of the Old Dominion Granbeen quite sick, will probably be able to return to duty early next week.

POLICE COURT STATISTICS FOR NOVEMBER. During the past month 416 criminal charges were disposed of by the Police Justice, and 166 cases of ordinance violations were tried. On criminal charges 17 persons were sent on to the grand jury for indictment, 17 were committed to jail on conviction of of the Governor of North Carolina makes assault and battery or petit larceny, and 21 an exhibit of the debt of the State, from in default of surety for their good behawhich it appears that the total on the 1st of vior. Fines collected-City, \$218.93; State, aged.

FLOUR INSPECTIONS .- The following is a statement of the flour inspected in Richmond during the month ending November act passed by the last General Assembly to 30th: Family, 1,517 barrels; extra supercompromise the State debt. The amount of line, 2,955 barrels; superfine, 825 barrels;

fine, 16 barrels; condemned, 30 barrels. MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED IN NOVEMBER. During the past month sixty-one marriage licenses were issued from the clerk's office of the Hustings Court-thirty-four to white persons and twenty-seven to colored cou-

From the county clerk's office twenty licenses were issued during the same period twelve to white and eight to colored couples.

DEEDS RECORDED .- During the past month 185 deeds were received for record in the clerk's office of the Chancery Court. In the Henrico county clerk's office 56 28 .- A Times Richmond special says: It is deeds were recorded during the same period.

> FIRE-ALARMS .- There were seven alarms of fire during the month ending yesterday.

> METEOROLOGICAL.-The following is a statement of the thermometer taken at sunrise every morning during the month of Nomber from an elevated point in the city:

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CHANGE OF SCHEDULE .- On and after Decourage is not of the truest stamp; there is neck-yoke hanging between them. No one cember 3d the morning mail train on the fessors Thilow and Reinhardt, was very Richmond and Petersburg road will leave fine, as was also the piano due by Profes here at 7:25 o'clock in place of 7:55 A. M., make you back out, and you can make him from where they started. The bones, har- as heretofore. The change is occasioned by accord and beautiful accentuation in the

> tween the American and Scotch teams whole performance was an agreeable and which took place at the Scheutzen Park successful affair. yesterday resulted in the success of mer by a score of 36 to 32. IN FOR THIRTY DAYS.—The Police Justice

yesterday sent William Mosely to jail for thirty days for unlawfully assaulting John McDonough some weeks ago. TRAMP, TRAMP, THE BOYS ARE MARCHING. Eighteen tramps found shelter from the cold and dampness in the free lodgings at the First station-house last night. There

THE PENITENTIARY.

DENSELY CROWDED-MORE ROOM NEED-

The report of the Board of Directors of he penitentiary, made to Governor Kemer through the president, Colonel John . Cary, shows : " First, that, despite the inreased number of convicts and the depressed condition of two of the most important branches of manufactures in the institution, for reasons fully set forth both by the Superintendent and the General Agent, it has been maintained at less cost than during the previous years; and second, that though this increase in numbers within Major's administrator vs. Major, &c. the limits of the penitentiary necessarily Sent from the privileged docket to the reg- diminished the accommodations of each in mate, the mortality has not increased among The following cases have had the orders them, as might reasonably have been ex-

"For the year ending September 30, 1875, the average number of convicts was 869, maintained at a total cost of \$27,515.64 per capita per annum \$25.72 (against \$31.66 the year previous), equivalent to about seven administrator vs. Cooper. &c.; Patterson, cents per day per convict.

the institution has been in part effected by introducing a new system of guard duty and a diminution of the number to the low Spilman vs. Johnson, &c. Fully argued est limit allowed by law. It will be noticed William L. Royall for appellees and L. also from the report of the General Agent that as a result of this economy he has only drawn from the treasury of the State the sum of \$15,000, instead of the \$20,000 to which he was by law entitled, and which has heretofore been uniformly drawn every same. Decree directing commissioners of year. With the anticipated continued insale appointed by a former decree to sell crease, however, in the number of prisonthe property in this decree mentioned ac- ers, it is not expected that as favorable an

The health of the institution has been re-Muse, &c., vs. Mitchell, &c. Decree in markably good, but the Board say that the orisoners are crowded together too closely n the cells, and that the Legislature ought and erect new buildings, or to enlarge and

> Temporary improvements for the accommodation of the women have been made at

> The Board mention that the duties of su perintendent since Colonel Strother's illness have been faithfully discharged by Mr. Cross, first assistant, and they recommend that he be allowed some additional compensation.

The report of Assistant Superintendent Cross, which accompanies the Board's, states that the number of prisoners belonging to the institution is far in excess of any previous year, as will be seen as follows: On the 30th September, 1870, there were 761 convicts; 30th September, 1871, 828; 30th September, 1872, 823; 30th September, 1873, 759; 30th September, 1874, 796; 30th to load cotton coming to Richmond on the September, 1875, 942; 30th September, 1876, this week. A. SAKS & Co., clothicrs, 1013 Main 1,099. And they are thus distributed-viz., street. at the Old Dominion Granite Company, partment of prison, 729; in the female de-

partment of prison, 111. Mr. Cross says the prison is greatly overcrowded. . He takes occasion "to say that several ladies and gentlemen of various denominations have interested themselves tured only by A. B. WILBOR, Chemist, Boston. Sold greatly in behalf of the spiritual welfare of the prisoners, and a marked change for the better with many of them is visible. Much credit is due these ladies and gentlemen for their untiring efforts in such good work. I would suggest here the propriety of having a chaplain regularly appointed, whose time could be devoted here not only on the Sabbath, but every day in the week, whose salary could be obtained, or nearly so, by the admission fees of visitors to the institu-

tion." There are in the institution 13 prisoners Hogan) in for 54 years for horse-stealing, prisoner for 38 years, 2 for 36, 2 for 28, 3 for

24, 2 for 23, and 16 for 20 years. Dr. M. M. Walker, the surgeon, in his rethe year but ten deaths from natural causes. old, who fell into a tub of boiling coffee; ite Company, whose thigh was badly crushed under a block of granite; and one

a falling tree. The report of the General Agent, considcring the universal depression of business, is a very encouraging one, and proves that he has actively exerted himself to extend

Altogether the institution appears to be in good condition and economically man-

THE MOZART MUSICALE.-Though not near so large as on last week, there was a fine audience present last evening on the occasion of the twenty-ninth musicale of the Mozart Association. Many, no doubt, who were desirous of being present, were deterred by the threatening weather in the evening. The programme was short, but, as usual, there was great taste displayed in its selection. With each entertainment our people are more and more impressed with the liberal amount of musical talent our city possesses, for almost every week there is brought forward some new and pleasing feature of which they were totally unaware. This was very noticeable last evening in the appearance of Miss Wyatt. This young lady possesses a pure and rich soprano voice of fine compass. In the duet, "Mighty Love Enthralis Me," between herself and brother Mr. Henry Wyatt), she at once ingratiated herself with her audience, as the hearty applause at its conclusion well attested. Her solo, "Our Faith Then Fondly Plighting," by Donizetti, was admirably given; and Miss Wyatt will be cordially greeted whenever she appears before a Richmond au-

Too much cannot be said in praise of the performance of Mr. Julius Peters. His rendition of Singelie's violin solo from "La Fille de Regiment" was truly artistic, and given with an ease and precision wonderful for so young an artist, and which would have been creditable to an older professional. The fact that he had had no rehearsal of the piece before he appeared on the stage will scarcely be accredited by those who heard him, for it may be safely said his playing was faultless. His success, no doubt, was due in great measure to the careful and finished accompaniment of Mr. Jacob Reinhardt. The trio for violin, violincello, and piano, by Reisiger, given by Mr. Peters and Prosors Thilow and Reinhardt. The perfect not so full as usual, but gave some new THE SHOOTING-MATCH.—The match be- pieces in admirable style. In a word, the

> THE THEATRE LAST NIGHT .- The "Two Orphans" was presented at the Theatre last night to quite a good audience, and was splendidly played. The company—one of the best that has ever been to this city—has not been well patronized, and hence there will be no matinée on Saturday or performance on Saturday night. To-night the "Great Divorce Case" will be presented.

ED-A GOOD FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

sented.

"This saving in the cost of supporting

rearrange the present ones.

The Penitentiary-Spring lot has not been sold. The title of a portion of it is in liti-

a cost of \$1,620.14.

including 8 murderers) for life, 1 (Robert

port to the Board, also urges that more room is needed and that the prison is overcrowded. There were, however, during The deaths from accidental injuries were hree-one in the building, a boy ten years in the Valley of Virginia, with P. B. Borst, contractor, who was struck on the head by

MRS. OATES AT THE THEATRE NEXT WEEK. of drollery, and of Mrs. Oates, to know that that lady and her English Comic Opera Com-It will be good news to all lovers of music, of drollery, and of Mrs. Oates, to know that

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zonde," and "Girofle-Girofla" will be pre-Mlle. Roseau, the chief singer of the company, is very highly spoken of, her Madame Lange being specified as a highly reditable rendition. Among the other artists are numbered Messrs. Drew, Howson, lones. Laurent, who has a sweet and welltrained voice; Miss Rose Temple and Mrs. Harry Chapman, and Miss Minnie Clancy. a young and handsome lady, new to the troupe. The chorus are said to have a fair share of good looks and to sing exceedingly well.

THE GHOST SHOW .- The wonderful and startling ghost show will be given again tonight at the Virginia Opera-House, and will remain until Saturday. It captured Petersburg completely, the people having to stand up nightly, and is well worth seeing. Let everybody go, and take the children, too. Last night the audience enjoyed the entertainment heartily.

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TED COMMUNICATION_ A EMPLE LODGE, No. 9, & F. and a. will be held at Washington Hall, on Broad street, THIS (Fridsy) EVENING. December 1st, at 6 o'clock. Members of sister lodging good standing are cordially invited to attend.

By Grder of the W. M. de 1-1t*

B. W. GILLIS, Secretary.

MIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,—The members of HINES LODGE, No. 17; will attend a stated meeting at Pythian Hall THIS (Friday) EVENING at 7 o'clock Nominations for officers will be made. Members of sister lodges and visiting brothern are invited to be present.

By order of the C. C.
WILLIAM J. RIDDICK.
R. of R. and S.

M Y-R T L E LODGE, No. 25, tion of your lodge THIS (Friday) EVE-NING at 7% o'clock at your Castle (Concordia) Hall. A full attendance is desired, as nomination of officers will take place.

Members in good standing of sister lodges are freenally invited to attend. By order of the C. C.

JOHN W. GLENN,

Keeper of Records and Seal IMPORTANT NOTICE.—The members of RICHMOND, PHENIX, and STONEWALL JACKSON LODGES are requested to meet with TRINITY LODGE. in joint session, on FRIDAY NIGHT, at Levy's Hall, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of forming a Degree Temple of the order. By request of W. C. T.

WILLIAM H. VAUGHAN, Secretary.

RXCELSIOR CLUB.—The members of this Club are requested to attend a regular meeting on THIS (Friday) EVENING. December 1st, at 7½ 0°clock.

BEN. T. AUGUST, de 1-1t Secretary.

IQUOR-DEALERS' PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION.—A called meeting will held FRIDAY NIGHT the 1st of December, at 8 o'clock, at C. Saucr's Hotel. Busines of importance will be brought before the meeting. Supper has been provided for.

H. WESTERHOFF, and I. I.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the MASONIC TEMPLE ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA will be held at St. Alban's Hall, on WEDNESDAY the 8th of December, at 8 o'clock P. M.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

W. B. ISAACS, no 29-td

Secretary and Treasurer.

PIEDMONT RAILROAD COMPANY. RICHMOND, VA., November 17, 1876. MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLD-A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOOL ERS OF THE PIEDMONT RAILROAD COM-PANY will be held at the office of the company, in the city of Richmond, on the 18TH DAY OF DE-CEMBER. 1876, at 12 o'clock M. By order of the Board of Directors, no 18-td A. S. BUFORD, President. RICHMOND AND DANVILLE RAILROAD COMP'Y.
RICHMOND, VA., November 13, 1876.

A STOCKHOLDERS OF THE RICHMOND AND DANVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at the office of the company, corner Bank and Tenth streets, in the city of Richmond, on WEDNESDAY, December 13th proximo, at 12 o'clock M.

The books for the transfer of stock will be closed from the 22d instant until after the day of meeting no 13-td

RICHARD BROOKE, Secretary. NOTICE TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF RICHMOND, November 3, 1876.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company will be held in the city of Richmond on THURSDAY the 7th of December, 1876.

Oc 4-td J. GARRETT, Cashier. NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the STOCKHOLDERS OF THE RICHMOND, YORK RIVER AND CHESAPEAKE RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at the office of the company, in this city, WEDNESDAY the 6th day of December, 1876, at 12 M. WALTER E. SMITH, no 2-th in this city, WEDNESD ber, 1876, at 12 M. no 2-td

MILITARY NOTICES. CRAYS, ATTENTION.—Assemble at

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